



## A Message from the President...



Hello ASP. I want to start my message by thanking several people. First, thank you to Jeff French for all of the great things he did for the Society during his

Presidency. His handling of several sensitive issues was considerably more diplomatic and graceful than many of us could have managed. His efforts have enhanced the *American Journal of Primatology*, and have also led to an increase in membership in ASP. Since much of what we can accomplish is tied to the amount of money we have available, an increase in paid memberships increases the number of initiatives we can support.

Thanks also to John Capitanio for his dedicated service on the Board of Directors for the past six years. John has also contributed much to the Society with considerable diplomacy. Commitment and dedication from people like Jeff and John have always symbolized to me what ASP is all about and I hope that we will continue to benefit from similar commitment and efforts.

It is extremely inspiring for me to serve ASP as President. This Society has always meant a great deal to me (from the first time I attended a meeting in 1980 in Winston-Salem) and will continue to be one of my most important professional commitments. Perhaps it has something to do with being part of the Gary Mitchell - Joe Erwin - Terry Maple - Nancy Caine primatological line.

We have an exceptional group of standing committee chairs and I encourage all of you to get involved with ASP at whatever level you can manage. No group is better equipped to study, conserve, and help nonhuman primates than we are and I will do everything I can to make sure the standing committees have the funds they

need to support the research, conservation, and education goals before them. In case you are unaware, any Society member may serve on one of the standing committees. Please let the appropriate committee chair know of your interest to serve. We are hoping

that each committee will contain at least one Past President and at least two student members. While we encourage everyone to participate in ASP business, please note that the size of the committees needs to be limited in order

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## ASP EDUCATION COMMITTEE'S STUDENT PRIZE AWARD WINNERS!

The Education Committee picks four winners this year in the Student Prize Award Contest as best of papers and posters. This year the committee consisted of: Cory Ross, Sarah Martinez, Jennifer Burns, Matt Hoffman, Matt Novak, Susan Lambeth, Kimran Miller, Vicki Bentley-Condit, Amy Levine, Leanne Nash, Tara Stonski, Nancy Klepper-Kilgore, Karen Hambricht, Melanie Schwandt. Of the outstanding submissions, the following were selected:

**Oral Presentation Winner:** A.J. Ginther, C.T. Snowdon, Dept. of Psychology, UW-Madison. **The Oedipal Conflict in *Saguinus oedipus* (the Cottontop Tamarin).**

**Poster Presentation Winner:** (Dual Award) G.M Karere & P.L.

Kinnaly. **Response to Maternal Separation Are Associated With Serotonin Genotype in Rhesus Macaques.**

**Oral Paper Honorable Mention:**

N. Maninger, J.P. Capitanio, S.A. Blozis, J.D. Ruys, S.P. Mendoza, Dept. of Psychology, UC-Davis.

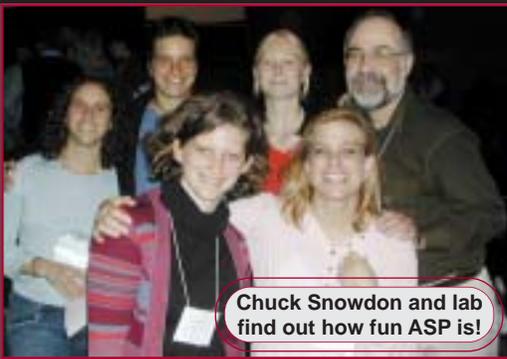
**Differential Effects of Stressors on the Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal Hormones Cortisol and DHEAS in Adult Male Rhesus Macaques**

**Poster Honorable Mention:** S.M.

Joyce, C.T. Snowdon, Dept. of Psychology, UW-Madison. **Do Adults Understand What Infants Know about Food? Food Transfers in Captive Cotton-Top Tamarins (*Saguinus oedipus*).**



# MADISON 2004



Chuck Snowden and lab find out how fun ASP is!



Melinda Novak and Steve Suomi talk with Debra Blum



Aimee Kurian and Katie Cronin are cooperative!



Sarie Van Belle, Edi Chan and Nancy Schultz-Darken - it takes three to register Marilyn Norconk!



Don't I know you?



Deborah Blum & Gene Sackett



Clyde's playing for you Edi!



Jeff French



Can you find the two Chucks in this picture?



Karen Strier & Sarah Carnegie enjoy the Library Reception



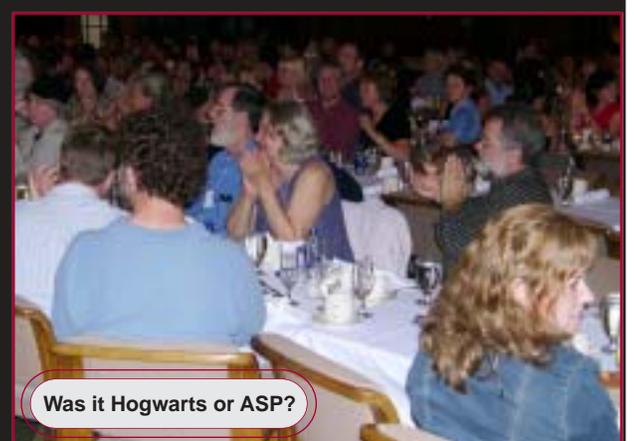
Now we can have fun!



Talk about protection!



Isn't this great?



Was it Hogwarts or ASP?

# MADISON 2004



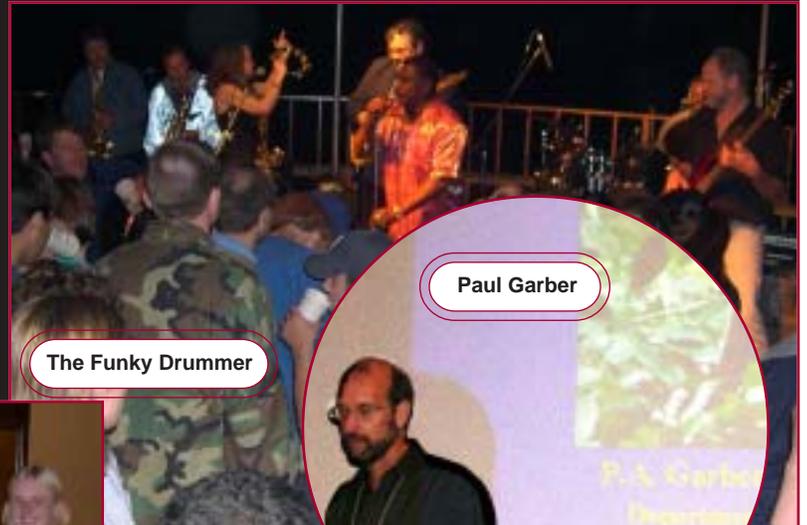
Library Reception



The Opening



What great food!



The Funky Drummer



Paul Garber



Gene Sackett and his lab



Is he real?



This meeting was for both North and South Americans



Marilyn Norconk



The fun is only beginning!



Steve Suomi



ASP dance

# CONSERVATION AWARD WINNERS FOR 2004

## CONSERVATION AWARD (\$750)

### Mr. William Olupot from Uganda

#### Subscription Awards (for the *American Journal of Primatology*)

- Universidad Nacional de Guinea Ecuatorial (UNGE), Equatorial Guinea
- Institute for Ecological Research, Brazil
- Ms. Alba Morales-Jimenez, Colombia

## CONSERVATION SMALL GRANTS (up to \$1500)

- **Mary Pavelka**  
"Fecal parasites and stress levels in a hurricane damaged population of *Alouatta pigra*" Belize  
**\$1500**
- **Sarah Boyle**  
"The effects of Amazonian Forest fragmentation on the brown-bearded saki monkey (*Chiropotes satanas*)" Brazil - **\$1490**
- **Alba Lucia Morales Jimenez**  
"Density of the endangered spider monkeys of Colombia (*Alouatta hybridus*) in Cauca Valley"  
Colombia - **\$1500**
- **Nicholas Malone**  
"Behavioral and ecological responses of silvery gibbons (*Hylobates moloch*) to severe habitat degradation in west Java, Indonesia" - **\$1500**
- **Jin-Hua Li**  
"Field course in primate conservation biology and survey of the Tibetan macaques at Huangshan NR, China" - **\$1498**
- **Deborah Paulsen**  
"Physiological and behavioural impacts of tourism on Sulawesi black macaques (*Macaca nigra*) at the Tangkoko Nature Reserve" Sulawesi, Indonesia" - **\$1000**
- **Julia Lloyd**  
Impacts of tourism on the behaviour, ranging patterns, activity budgets and the conservation of habituated wild chimpanzees in Kanyanchu Kibale NP, Uganda" - **\$1500**
- **Janis Carter**  
"Primates of Njassang Forest Park - A survey to produce educational materials" The Gambia - **\$1500**
- **Joshua Linder**  
"Differential vulnerability of primates to hunting in Korup NP, Cameroon: Implications for Primate Conservation" **\$500**

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for them to efficiently accomplish their goals. Please consult the ASP constitution on the ASP webpage if you are unclear about the functions of the standing committees. Just for your information, the standing committees and their chairperson(s) are:

Publications - Randy Kyes  
Program - Larry Williams and Peter Judge

Conservation - Janette Wallis  
Research and Development - Lynn Fairbanks and Karen Bales

Awards and Recognition - Chris Abee  
Membership and Finance - Evan Zucker  
Education - Sue Howell

Everything is in pretty good order for ASP at the moment, thanks mainly to the efforts of the previous committee chairs and the previous Board of Directors. With this firm foundation to work from, it is time for us to attempt to expand the things that we do that benefit nonhuman primates and primatology. This year we had 37 student presentations in the competition at the meeting, 46 conservation grant proposals, and 56 research and development grant proposals. These are all very positive indicators of the vitality of ASP. However, due to financial constraints, we were only able to award a small number of presentation awards, conservation grants, and research and development grants. If we can expand our financial base, we can put more money into funding these types of programs. I plan to expand our fund raising efforts to include sectors of the population that we have not typically tapped. You, as Society members, continue to do your jobs to support research, conservation, and education. I will be looking for sources outside of your pockets and am eager to hear your suggestions.

I am not sure why ASP means so much to me, but I know that it does. We have functioned for many years on the dedicated volunteer efforts of a relatively small number of members. I am looking to increase our base of extremely active members. I am hoping to help inspire a new generation to view ASP the way that I have always viewed ASP – as my professional family. As I said in the business meeting in Madison, no one has to be a primatologist. You are a primatologist because you love it. I hope you will consider sharing that love with ASP and do as much as you can to further our goals. As I also said in the

business meeting, there are few jobs that will make your parents' or your kids' friends say "wow!" when you tell them what you do. We have special opportunities as primatologists. Let's make the most of them.

Please feel free to contact me anytime with your thoughts about ASP and primatology. I look forward to hearing from you.

*Steve Schapiro*  
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*President*



**CONTRIBUTION TO ASP  
GENERAL FUND STEVE  
BRACCINI DONATED  
\$5,000 TO THE GENERAL  
FUND TO SUPPORT  
ADDITIONAL GRANTS  
THROUGH THE RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT.  
THANKS STEVE!!!!**



## **A KINDER, GENTLER BABOON**

Nasty, brutish, and short—Thomas Hobbes's famous description of life without government could as easily be applied to baboons. The primates are famous for their bad manners. However, a troop of baboons in Kenya has recently changed its ways. Researchers suggest that the relatively peaceable behavior is a type of culture that's passed on to newcomers to the troop.

Baboon culture is rife with violence. Males fight over females, food, resting spots, and sometimes for no apparent reason. The most serious altercations are usually between baboons of close rank; but baboons low on the totem pole get bullied all the time by higher-ups looking for an ego boost.

Now it appears that one troop has found a better way. Robert Sapolsky, a primatologist at Stanford University in California, observed a troop of savanna baboons, dubbed Forest Troop, from the late 1970s until 1986, when an outbreak of bovine tuberculosis killed off the most aggressive males in the group. After the deaths of so many of the members, Sapolsky abandoned his study and stayed away for 10 years.

In the 13 April PLoS Biology, Sapolsky and his wife and colleague Lisa Share describe the dramatic changes they found when they returned. Members sat closer together and groomed each other more. The dominance hierarchy remained—Number Two still scrapped with Numbers One and Three as in a normal troop—but the higher-ranking baboons didn't vent their anger on subordinates. And that's apparently improved



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# Conservation Conversation



## FINAL REPORT 2003

### Faunal Survey of a Regenerating Lowland Rainforest in Southwestern Sri Lanka, Focussing on the Slender Loris (*Loris tardigradus tardigradus*) Including Environmental Education

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The new species of red slender loris at Bangamukande Estate.

Presented to:  
American Society of Primatologists  
N.B. A longer version of this report is available, but this one was modified for the ASP newsletter.

#### INTRODUCTION

The lorises of Asia are amongst the least studied of all primates. Even the conservation status of most taxa is data deficient. One slender loris species with four subspecies was thought to be resident in Sri Lanka, closely allied to two additional races in southern India. Sri Lanka is an island rich in biodiversity and complex ecoregions. The southwest in particular, where the last remaining vestiges of rainforest remain (amounting to less than 3%), species richness is particularly high, resulting in the declaration of this part of the island as one of the world's 11 hyperhot hotspots. Recent research, delayed due to decades of civil war, has revealed numerous new amphibian species, a new owl, and a new fruit bat. Thus it is not a surprise that another type of slender loris, shy, small and nocturnal, should also be uncovered.

This new species is called the red slender loris (*Loris tardigradus tardigradus*), and differs from other Ceylonese forms in its red pelage, and a

body size of about 120 g, less than half the size of other grey lorises (*Loris lydekkerianus*) on the island, and 1/3 the size of Indian grey slender lorises. Perhaps its most unique feature is its locomotion. Slender lorises have been called sloth-like in their movements. This tiny red loris has surprised everyone by its speedy running! It also has a unique call to other forms, suited to life in a dense rainforest. Although a study of behaviour and ecology of this new species is important (and will commence in October 2004), we have implemented an additional programme, assessing the conservation status of the few dwindling forest patches in which it is found, combined with an intensive conservation education effort.

From July-September 2003, in collaboration with Sri Lankan students, landowners, and indigenous communities, and two Oxford Brookes postgraduate students, I conducted a series of projects regarding the conservation of Sri Lankan slender lorises. These included surveys of primates in a regenerating rainforest in the Southwest, accompanied by floral and faunal biodiversity assessments and environmental education classes culminating in a biodiversity workshop. In this brief report, I present key elements of each of these projects, as well as state plans for further research.

#### Primate Diversity at Bangamukande Estate

The main focus of the research was a biodiversity assessment of a 30 ha plot of regenerating rain forest at Bangamukande (BK) Estate near Heycock Mountain range in Galle District of Southwest Sri Lanka,

focussing on primates. We estimated population density of three endemic and taxa *Trachypithecus vetulus vetulus* (EN), *Macaca sinica aurifrons* (VU) and *Loris tardigradus tardigradus* (EN) in rainforest stands of differing regeneration levels. We cut five line transects, sampled floristically using quadrats, and walked 78.5 km systematically to record primate presence. Only two of five transects yielded monkey sightings, with density estimates as follows: *T. vetulus* (0.09 and 0.16 groups/ km<sup>2</sup>) and *M. sinica* (0.14 and 0.04 groups / km<sup>2</sup>). Population density estimates using distance sampling yielded the following results: 1.34 and 2.68 groups / km<sup>2</sup> for *T. vetulus* and 3.91 and 1.30 groups / km<sup>2</sup> for *M. sinica*. Densities were linked to forest structure, including a trend of decrease in species richness, stand density of trees with CBH > 10 cm, species diversity and mean basal area with a decrease of forest regenerating time, as well as human disturbance including illegal logging and hunting. Despite a rigorous trapping regime and 34 km of nocturnal surveys, *L. tardigradus* was observed thrice, and never trapped. Population densities of red lorises, which do not fare well near human habitation, are low, although heavy rain prevented more intensive surveys. Results suggest that with further regeneration of this patch, establishment of a species rich corridor between nearby protected areas is possible.

#### Floral Diversity at BK Estate

We conducted both plotless and quadrat sampling in four plots of different



levels of regenerating rainforest (7 years, 15-18 years {2 plots}, 30 years, 5 years). Enumeration of plant species and families in the four different stands showed the presence of 114 species, of which 25 are endemic, 73 genera of which 19 are endemic and 57 families. In the whole estate, including the sampled areas, a total of 197 plants species were recorded of which 63 were endemic.

**Environmental Education**

Environmental education classes were taught intensively from July 15<sup>th</sup> to August 15<sup>th</sup>, leading to a conservation role-play, and then were taught twice from August 17<sup>th</sup> to September 13<sup>th</sup>, leading to a Biodiversity Workshop. The average class size was 21 children, though class sizes varied from a minimum



Adult female, juvenile female, and adult male red slender lorises at their sleeping site at the BK Estate.

of twelve children to a maximum of 26. The first four classes focussed on improving reading and writing skills, practising English pronunciation, and explaining grammatical rules to raise the level of English in the class. Preparation

for a conservation role-play was carried out over one week. Children prepared by drawing and painting pictures and using crepe paper to make pictures of flora and fauna native to Sri Lanka. The script for the role-play was drafted in English and translated into Sinhalese by Mr. Sunil Wimalisuriya. Children were divided into ‘readers’ and ‘pictures’ depending on their reading level; those with advanced English were given scripts whilst the younger children held up corresponding pictures.

As the class advanced, we began to focus more on conservation in preparation for selecting ten students to participate in an intensive Biodiversity Workshop. We covered various Sri Lankan animal groups including birds, bats, fish, primates and reptiles. Students who attended classes exhibited advancement in both English and science, and increased keenness in their studies. I also distributed conservation education stickers with an explanation of three pictures of lorises.

Ten students were chosen to participate in a two day workshop on more advanced topics regarding rainforest conservation and biodiversity. Students were each given a specially designed L.O.R.I.S. (land owners regenerate rainforest in Sri Lanka) ‘eco-bag.’ This contained a guide to birds, a guide to mammals, a field notebook, and some equipment. The workshop was filmed for screening on the local ‘Young Asia Television’.

Students completed before and after questionnaires, leading to several significant results. The children were not aware of most of the endemic animals around them, particularly the birds and the bats. They were also not



Two of the stickers featuring the amazing drawings of Helga Schulze. These are translated in to Sinhala; a second lot where created with Tamil translation.



Workshop participants with their eco-bags.

aware that putting hazardous chemicals in the stream was polluting their drinking water, and that use of polythene resulted in the death of local wildlife. Most also showed a propensity to remove baby animals from nests to show their friends, and not to put them back where they found them. After the workshop, the children changed their answers to all these questions, and said they would influence their family and friends as well. They also formed their own local environmental organisation. The following are touching quotes resulting from essays the children produced after the workshop.

**CONCLUSION**

This report reflects an update of an on-going project, focussed principally on the slender loris, started in 2001. From early surveys, it became apparent that the only ways to preserve the slender loris is to have a better understanding of the composition of its habitat, including other flora and fauna, and by understanding the needs and knowledge of the people surrounding the tiny forest patches to which it clings. We are currently surveying the remaining forest patches of Sri Lanka’s Wet Zone, as well as continuing conservation education efforts. We also are instigating the first long-term study of the red slender loris, examining the impact of forest fragmentation on its behaviour, ecology and effective population size.

I would like to acknowledge the invaluable contribution of Sri Lankan colleagues to this project: Saman Gamage, Jayantha Jayewardene, Wasantha Liyanage, Dr. Vijitha Perera, Asoka Gunawardene and Sunil Wimalisuriya, as well as Oxford Brookes postgraduate students Lilia Bernede and Pamela Troni.



Gene Sackett, Washington National Primate Research Center, was awarded the Distinguished Primatologist Award at the banquet. Gene has been with the Society from day 1. Gene's response: "A man of few words, I really thank you".



Jackie Pritchard was awarded the DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD at the banquet for his service as manager of Primate LIT, the Primate Information Center. Jackie does the indexing for Primate LIT and has held a "life-long commitment to primatology and high standards".



Karen Bales speaks about attachment and positive affect as a Featured Speaker: *Primates, Prairie Voles, and the Physiology of Love and Fear* on Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup>.



Joan Silk presented long-term field data in the Keynote Address: *The Adaptive Value of Social Bonds*, Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.



Stephen Nash as an Invited Speaker presents: *Primates in Art* on Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup> at the opening social. Stephen also received the PRESIDENT'S AWARD from Jeff French at the banquet. He then auctioned his art talent for Conservation to produce a piece of primate work or any species. The bidding ended at \$1500 by Steve Braccini who will request the work be on chimpanzees.

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life for lowlier baboons; they don't have the classic markers of chronic stress—such as elevated levels of stress hormones—found in their peers in other troops. The most remarkable observation, however, was that the troop had apparently maintained the peace despite a complete turnover in the male population. Normally aggressive male adolescent baboons leave their native troop and slowly work into a new one; Forest Troop had somehow managed to assimilate these surly newcomers without losing its peaceful culture.

Sapolsky and Share are still unsure how the culture is being passed on, but they suspect that it has to do with the observed friendly attitude of the female baboons towards newcomer males. "Sapolsky's research seems to show that the female baboons have 'seen the light,' " and realized that life is better with peaceful males, says Frans de Waal, a primatologist at Emory University in Atlanta. But how the females might calm the waters is still unknown. 🐒 🐒 🐒

## NEW ELECTED OFFICIALS

The 2004 ASP election for officers is now complete, and the results have been validated by the Ad-hoc Elections Committee selected by John Capitanio, Mark Laudenslager, Lynne Miller, and Michael Owren. The results are as follows:

- President-elect: Suzette Tardif
- Executive Secretary: Toni Ziegler
- Treasurer: Evan Zucker

I look forward to having Suzette join the Board of Directors of the Society, and the Society is fortunate to have the continued services of Toni and Evan. My special thanks to all candidates who agreed to have their names put forward as candidates – this reflects a remarkable degree of commitment to the Society and its goals.

Jeff French, ASP Past President

## OUR NEW PRESIDENT SELECTS THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR 2004 – 2006

- Membership and Finance Committee: Evan Zucker
- Conservation Committee: Janette Wallis
- Education Committee: Sue Howell
- Research and Development Committee: Lynn Fairbanks and Karen Bales
- Program Committee: Larry Williams and Peter Judge
- Publications Committee: Randy Kyes
- Award and Recognition Committee: Chris Abee

Thank you for your commitment to ASP! Those who would like to be on any of these committees please contact the chairs to offer your services.



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**American Society of Primatologists**  
**28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**  
**Portland, Oregon USA**  
**August 17-20, 2005**

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- *Experience all that Portland has to offer! Local attractions include: The Oregon Zoo, Japanese Gardens and Powell's Bookstore*
- *Before and after the Conference: Take a day trip to Mt. Hood, visit some regional wineries, or experience the Pacific coast!*
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- *Portland has numerous excellent restaurants, brewpubs and coffeehouses*

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### Contact Information:

*Dr. Kristine Coleman, Chair, local organizing committee and Assistant Scientist at ONPRC*

## ASP CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

This was another big year for the Conservation Committee. We managed to squeeze in a thorough review of the grant proposals as well as discuss plans for future fund-raising initiatives for the ASP Conservation Fund. Although several Committee members were not able to attend the conference in Madison, most were able to submit their reviews and rankings of the grant proposals and award nominations prior to our meeting. Those attending the conference were Janette Wallis (Chair), Lisa Jones-Engel, Roger Brumback, Mike Reid, and Jason Kamilar. Those unable to join us were: Kim Phillips, Sharon Pochron, Becky Raboy, Joanna Lambert, Felicia Nutter, Patrick Mehlman, Alecia Lilly, and Will Gergits. I want to thank all of these fine people for their service to the ASP and the Conservation Committee. It has been a pleasure to work with them and I am happy to say that many will continue to serve on the Committee during the coming term (2004-2006).

### Conservation Awards & Grants

This year's ASP Conservation Award has been given to Mr. William Olupot, of Uganda. William was nominated by Drs. Peter Waser, Colin Chapman, Richard Wrangham, and Adrian Treves. He works in the Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.

The Committee voted to award three new *AJP* Subscription Awards this year. These awards are given to habitat country primatologists who share the journal with students and other researchers in their institution or field site.

We received a record 46 applications for ASP Conservation Small Grants. Determining which applications to fund was a very difficult task because there were so many excellent proposals. We awarded 9 grants, totaling \$11,988. Please see the list on page 4 for the names of the award winners and grant recipients. We congratulate them all!

### Conservation Silent Auction

The Annual ASP Conservation Silent Auction was another major success this year. We want to thank all who participated. Your participation in the Auction – whether by donating items for auction or by bidding to win these items – is very much appreciated. Without your help, we could not afford to give the awards and grants described above. I want to give a special thanks to Committee member, Lisa Jones-Engel, who headed up the organization of the Auction. She was helped by local volunteers, Laura Yahr, Kim Trembl, Jessica Vandeleest, Evelyn Claire Rynkiewicz, Shaina Mae Klein, Vezira Hadzig, Tina Johnson, Sarah Mansavage, Carla Boe, and Christine Swanson. I also want to thank Mike Reid, Randy Kyes, Edi Chan, and Toni Ziegler, who also provided help throughout parts of the Auction.

Though we raised more than \$4500 at the Auction, we increased this amount dramatically at the closing banquet. ASP Treasurer, Evan Zucker, passed the “bag” to encourage additional donations. In addition, we had a very special event this year: we auctioned off a made-to-order, original colored pencil and ink drawing by famed artist Stephen Nash. Mr. Steve Braccini won the auction with a \$1500 bid. In total, \$6590.14 was raised for the ASP Conservation Fund this year. Thank you, everyone!

### Other News from the Conservation Committee meeting

Because many conservation-based projects begin during the (US) summer months, the Committee voted to move up the deadline for proposal submission in future years. This will better facilitate getting funds to recipients before their work begins. Details for the next deadline will be made available in the next issue of the ASP Bulletin.

The Conservation Committee discussed plans for a major fund-raising campaign. We will provide further details in the next *Bulletin*. In the meantime, we remind you that you may make donations to the Conservation Fund via the ASP web site. Remember, primate conservation depends on YOU.

- Janette Wallis, ASP Conservation Committee Chair

You are invited to read the current Supplement of the Theoretical Primatology Project (TPP) Newsletter (Volume 2, Issue 2) on the TPP website, "Newsletter" link (<[www.robertwilliams.org/tpp](http://www.robertwilliams.org/tpp)>). Robin Dunbar provides much needed commentary on the future of graduate education in primatology, making specific suggestions about skills required to conduct both theoretical and empirical hypothetico-deductive research.

It is hoped that this invited contribution will stimulate discussion and effect productive change at the graduate level in primatology and other animal (including human) behavior programs. TPP would welcome comments, suggestions, criticisms, or other feedback at its e-mail address below.

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## HERE IS SOME GREAT NEWS FROM THE IPS CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

- The IPS Conservation Committee has recently awarded over \$6300 in Conservation Small Grants. Seven applications were received from primatologists studying in all of the continents in which primates naturally occur, and four awards were made. The following individuals received grants for their excellent projects: Dilip Chetry (India) for a project titled "Non-human primate survey in Nongkhylllem Wildlife Sanctuary, Meghalaya, India". Entang Iskandar (Indonesia) for a project titled "Population survey of the Javan gibbon (*Hylobates moloch*) at the Gunung Halimun National Park, West Java, Indonesia". Pierre Kakule (Congo) for a project titled

- "Environmental education for the conservation of primates at the Tayna Centre for Conservation Biology". Karenina Morales (El Salvador) for a project titled "Survey and census of spider monkeys in El Salvador".
- Congratulations to Dilip, Entang, Pierre, and Karenina for their outstanding proposals and good luck with the projects. These grants were made possible by generous contributions to the IPS Conservation Fund from many IPS members. We are planning on awarding another set of grants within the next year, so keep your eyes open for the announcement and keep those contributions coming. You can make a contribution to the IPS Conservation Fund (or General Fund)



The electronic version of the April 2004 Gorilla Gazette is now available. Current subscribers have already been notified. All gorilla holding institutions have been mailed a printed copy.

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- at any time at the IPS website: <http://www.asp.org/IPS/MembersOnly/selectloginoptions.cfm>
- Grant applications were evaluated by the members of the IPS Conservation Committee and I would like to thank Tom Struhsaker, Alcides Pissinatti, Anne Savage, Anthony Rylands, Bill Konstant, Russ Mittermeier, David Chivers, John Oates, Ken Glander, and Pat Wright for their work.

Claudio Padua  
IPS VP for Conservation  
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## RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT GRANT AWARDS FOR 2004

The Research Committee received about 60 grants this year. Thanks so very much for encouraging your students to send in the applications. Hats off and a big thanks to Nancy Capitanio who modified and updated the web page as needed. This was the first year for the online submission and Nancy really made it possible. The vast majority of the grants would have been fundable if we had the money. While the grants from the laboratory were up in number, there were still only 12 grants from a laboratory or zoo setting. We especially encourage and solicit grant applications from those areas. Below are the grants we funded this year:

**AMANDA MELIN** – Effects of color vision phenotype on foraging behavior  
of white-faced capuchin monkeys - \$1,500

**AMY LU** – Costs & benefits of rank within an individualistic hierarchy: A study on Phayreis Leaf Monkeys  
(*Trachypithecus obscurus phayrei*) - \$1,410

**NICOLE MANINGER** – Immune and endocrine responses to housing relocation  
in adult male rhesus macaques - \$1,500

**BRANDON WHEELER** – The deceptive use of alarm calls by wild tufted capuchins  
(*Cebus apella*) in northeastern Argentina - \$1,500

**TAMARA WENSTEIN** – Juvenile rehesus macaque affiliative partner preferences:  
temperament, development, and stability - \$1,500

**JESSICA WHITHAM** – The quiet calls of rhesu macaques - \$1,500

**JENNIFER SIANI** – Parent-offspring conflict in wild golden tamarins (*Leontopithecus rosalia*) - \$1,500

**MEG CROFOOT** – Ecology and intergroup competition in *Cebus caucinus* - \$1,500

**LISA CONLEY** – Establishment of a non-human primate ovarian culture system to study effects of dioxin  
exposure on sex steroid production - \$1,500

**KERRY OSSI** – Training for adulthood in a female-dispersal species (*Trachypithecus phayrei*) - \$1,500

**ALAIN HOULE** – Within-tree fruit quality variation and trade-off between food, contest competition and foraging  
efficiency among chimpanzees, Kibale National Forest Park, Uganda - \$1,500

**TED EVANS** – Touch-screen mediated symbolic tool requests by capuchin monkeys (*Cebus apella*) - \$581

**SUSAN LONGEST** – The effects of varied social structure on sperm competition, alloparental care, and infant  
mortality in black – and – white ruffed lemurs - \$1,500

**MEREDITH BASTIAN** – The effects of geography and genetic distance on cultural variation in wild orangutans  
(*Pongo pygmaeus wumbii*)

**EILEEN LARNEY** – Blood or barter: Infant handling in a female dispersal species,  
*Trachypithecus Phayrei* - \$1,435

The committee also resolved to take a more active role in updating our members concerning the activities of the animal rights organizations, something that has affected many of our members. Good luck to Karen Bales and Lynn Fairbanks who will serve as the new chair and co-chair of the Research Committee.

Dee Higley

## REPORT FROM LOCAL HOST

Joe Kennitz

Thank you all for attending the ASP meeting in June. It was a very informative, productive and enjoyable meeting. I'd like to thank the Local Arrangements Committee for making the program flow so smoothly and congenially: **Kristina Cawthon, Edi Chan** (Conference Coordinator), **Cynthia Robinson, Karen Strier, Deb Hartley, Toni Ziegler, Matt Hoffman, Gabe Lubach, Christopher Coe,** and **Jayne Vanderwerker**. Several others merit special thanks for organizing the outstanding content of the program: Marilyn Norconk and the rest of the ASP Program Committee; Larry Jacobsen, former WNPRC Library Director, for coordinating Stephen Nash's art exhibit during the ASP Conference; Janette Wallis and Lisa Jones-Engel, Conservation Committee member, who organized the setup of the auction. Thanks also to Jordana Lenon for handling the press and media issues both leading up to and during the Conference; to Stephen Nash for his artistry on our Conference T-shirt and Conference bag, as well as for the opening lecture and art exhibit; the WNPRC IT staff, Jayne Vanderwerker, Sterling Anderson, and Brad Acheson, for their help in the Play Circle, Class of 24 Room, Theatre, and slide preview room; Ruthi Duval and her staff at Memorial Union; Bruce Carroll, Shane Driscoll, Michael Newton and Peter Grimyser and others (including Rex!) of UW Police Department; The Friends of the Library for their sponsorship of the Library reception; Edi Chan for handling the exhibitor negotiations; Judy Peterson for covering the phones and being our Center contact person during our conference; and our stockroom students John Siebert and Mike Albert for transporting items during our conference. We had more than 300 registrants for the meeting and 16 exhibitors, in addition to three book publishers that sent books for a shared table. We would like to thank the following companies and publishers for their support: American Health and Safety; Association of Primate Veterinarians; Beckman Coulter; Conservation International; Covance Research Products; Data Sciences International; Harlan Teklad; Harvard University Press; Invitrogen



**The Library & Information Service of the Wisconsin National Primate Research Center (WPRC)** is pleased to announce the launch of two new websites in June 2004.

The first, a newly constructed WPRC Library site found at <http://library.primate.wisc.edu>, offers easy access to the WPRC Library's collections and services. Content includes our searchable videotape catalog and information about our document delivery and interlibrary loan programs. The second site is a redesigned and reorganized Primate Info Net (PIN), now easily found on the web at <http://pin.primate.wisc.edu>. PIN offers an access point to a wide range of primate-related internet resources and services available through the WPRC and elsewhere, including two online directories, the Callicam web cam, and the PrimateLit database.

Both sites feature standards-compliant XHTML, improved navigational tools, and easy-to-remember URLs. We invite you to visit the sites and try them out. Comments, questions, and suggestions can be directed to [library@primate.wisc.edu](mailto:library@primate.wisc.edu).

Primate Info Net (PIN) <http://pin.primate.wisc.edu>  
WPRC Library <http://library.primate.wisc.edu>

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Carla Boe, Debbie Brown, Matt Campbell, Kristina Cawthon, Amanda Crumbaugh, Kyle Fischer, Kelly Freeman, Gajewski, Robin Gilmore, Jeanne Gradowski, Vezira Hadzig, Stacey Hughes, Tina Johnson, Shaina Mae Klein, Chris Kolar, David Krall, Joan Larson, Chris Luethy, Sarah Mansavage, Tom Roskos, Evelyn Claire Rynkiewicz, Nancy Schultz Darken, Emilie Schwarz, Ev Skoumbourdis, Ed Steele, Christine Swanson, Kim Tremml, Sarie Van Belle, Jessica Vandeleeest, Kristin Van Iten, and Laura Yahr. We have received many complimentary e-mail messages and phone calls regarding the Conference (speakers, talks, food, entertainment, etc.). We are happy and proud to have hosted the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Meeting of the ASP.

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# MINUTES FROM THE ASP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 2004

**President Jeff French at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists, Madison, Wisconsin, called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 12:30 on June 9 2004. Attending: Jeff French, John Capitanio, Steve Schapiro, Toni Ziegler, Evan Zucker, Suzette Tardif, Janette Wallis, Randy Kyes, Melinda Novak, Gabe Lubach, Dee Higley, Marilyn Norconk, Sue Howell.**

Jeff opened the meetings by thanking the committees for all their hard work throughout the year. Jeff commented on the excellent handling and resolving of the selection of a new editor for AJP and the increase in membership numbers. Sites for future meetings were discussed. The 2005 meeting will be held in Portland, Oregon August 17 – 20 and hosted by the Oregon National Primate Research Center. This meeting needs to be promoted. The 2006 meeting will be held in San Antonio in early June and hosted by the Southwest Regional Primate Research Center. Two bids were being considered for the 2007 meeting: San Diego hosted by Lyn Miller in the fall of that year or by University of Miami and by Paul Hotlen of Primate Products. It was discussed whether ASP and IPS would be a joint meeting in Washington DC hosted by Conservation International and the Institute of Laboratory Animal Research (ILAR). Other countries are also bidding for this meeting.

The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the Executive committee, Board of Directors, and Business meeting from July 2003 as put in the ASP Bulletin. The minutes were approved. Jeff asked the standing committees to make their reports, recommendations and motions to BOD.

Standing Committee Chairs gave the following reports:

**Membership and Finance Committee Report** – Committee members attending: Evan Zucker (Chair), Michael Jurke, Marsha Fernandez, Kay IZard, Susan Gibson, Rebecca Lewis, Jean Turnquist, Charles Menzel, and Katy Bentson.

Evan stated that the society broke even in finances. The Conservation

Fund also broke even. The General Fund paid the \$6,000 for the Bush Meat Crises Task Force. The General Fund showed a profit of \$44,000 but the surplus would be used to pay for the 2004 ASP meeting. 199 members registered by the January deadline for the 2004 meeting and approximately 300 people attended the Madison meeting. The book series has made \$625 for Volume 1: *Primate Conservation: The Role of Zoological Parks*, edited by Janette Wallis, \$1800 for Volume 2: *The Care and Management of Captive Chimpanzees*, edited by Linda Brent and \$3840 for Volume 3: *Sexual Selection and Reproductive Competition in Primates: New Perspectives and Directions*, edited by Clara Jones. Volume 4: *Commensalism and Conflict: The Primate-Human Interface*, edited by Jim Paterson will be available in fall of 2004 and will cost approximately \$14,000 to print. Evan stated that the Society is in good fiscal health at this time, however, the book series may be a problem. Membership and Finance Committee has decided to market the books to help with sells. The Calgary meeting made \$5,799.40. The Calendars cost \$7000 to print and we lost approximately \$1600. One Conservation grant and two Research and Development grants did not use their awards providing extra money to fund the 2004 grants.

### **Research and Development**

**Committee Report** – Dee Higley (Chair) thanked Nancy Capitanio for enabling online submission of grant proposals through the ASP website. The committee was able to process and receive the proposals all electronically this year. The committee, however, felt the deadline for proposal submissions was too late in the year and suggested we move the deadline closer to the first of the year. There were over 60 applications for funding this year with very many excellent proposals. With such a high amount of proposals to read, the committee recommended that the Society should limit the number of proposals by accepting proposals only by members of ASP. Students can join

prior to submitting a proposal and still receive consideration. The committee recommended that the Society fund more than the usual amount of grants for this year. The winners are reported on page 4 of this bulletin.

### **Publication Committee Report**

Committee members attending: Melinda Novak (Co-Chair), Randy Kyes (Co-Chair), Lynn Fairbanks, Mark Laudenslager, Russ Tuttle, Jeff French (President), John Capitanio (Web Page Editor), Linda Fedigan (AJP Editor) and Toni Ziegler (ASP Bulletin Editor).

Reports from the Editors:

### **American Journal of Primatology:**

Linda Fedigan took over the journal in January from our interim editors, Melinda Novak and Randy Kyes. The interim editors are continuing to process the manuscripts that were under review at the time of Linda's start. During their tenure, a total of 112 manuscripts were processed during this period. Some of these manuscripts were in process with the previous editor. A significant number of manuscripts were first submissions. All new manuscripts have been sent through the Calgary Editorial Office since January. The Editorial Board is now a small group of specialized editors: Dorothy Fragaszy, Paul Garber, Michael Huffman, Lynne Isbell, Richard Kay, Jeffrey Rogers, Suzette Tardif and Raymond Hamel as the Media Reviews Editor. Melanie Foster, University of Calgary, serves as the Editorial Assistant. The submission to AJP is now entirely electronic for submissions and reviews. The mean days from submission to decision is 58 days (range = 10-107 days). Eight new submissions have been sent to production + 12 revised manuscripts. For 32 decisions on new submissions: 25% were accepted, 25% were rejected and 50% were asked to revise and resubmit. The journal is planning to initiate special issues and one is already being planned. The journal cover has changed from the original burgundy to different primate photography for each issue. These have been well received. A new contract was negotiated with Wiley-Liss as of December 2003. Wiley-Liss will be indexing the older

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AJP articles so that these can be included in the databases, such as Index Medicus. Linda closed the report with the plea for more high quality papers to be submitted to the journal. Currently, the submissions were averaging 10 per month (49 new submissions).

**ASP Book Series:** The publications committee recommended that the book series needed additional marketing to make it profitable. It was recommended that the job of marketing be taken from Janette Wallis who is already involved in the production of the books. It was suggested that the Society could use a business manager to market the book series and the ASP calendar. The committee recommended that the proposal be sent to the committee for the next book in the series in order to determine the number of sales expected. **ASPe** has been shelved for now to prevent competition with our newly renovated journal.

**ASP web page:** John Capitanio reports an increased use of the ASP web page. New improvements, upgrades and new features included the online purchases of the calendar and book series, online donations, hosting of IPS membership renewals, email tool created for administrations so they can select lists and send emails themselves (cost shared with IPS), added requirement of sponsorship and letters of reference for small grant submissions, built upload page for letters of reference, built report for administration of grants submitted, added payment history report for members and added the ability to pay for all services by check. After the home page, the next most hits were abstracts of our last previous meetings, suggesting that our website is used heavily for viewing the Society's scientific offerings. Compared to last year, the main Education and Research pages received increased numbers of hits (more than 600 each), as did the Conservation page (more than 5000). The research "frequently asked questions" page showed a 50% increase in the number of hits, suggesting once again that people are hitting our site for information about the use of primates in research. This page should be updated. The number of hits on the links page doubled from last year to 5734 hits, suggesting our page is a resource for entrée to other related sites (and perhaps especially our line to Amazon.com).

**Bulletin** – Toni Ziegler presented the changes that have been made to the bulletin in the past year. At the 2003 meeting, it was discussed whether the Society should attempt to have publishers of primate books pay a page charge to have their books advertised in the bulletin. A letter to the major publishers asking them to submit books for advertisement did not receive any interest. It was discussed whether the Society should determine whether members were reading the bulletin on line or in print. Since members of the Society in source countries primarily request the print version, it was decided that this question would be addressed at a later date.

**Conservation Committee Report** – The committee members who were present: Janette Wallis (Chair), Lisa Jones-Engelm Roger Brumback, Mike Reid, and Jason Kamilar. The committee has 13 members with 11 help review the 2004 grant proposals. There were only 5 committee members present at the meetings. The committee recommended 3 subscription awards and 2 nominations for ASP Conservation Award. There were 46 applications for 2004 and 9 were recommended for approval for a total of \$11,988. Three were from Neotropical, three were from Asia and three were from Africa. The conservation committee also recommended that the deadline for grant proposals be moved to earlier in the year. Winners of the award are presented on page 4 of this bulletin. The committee recommended the Bush Meat Crises role be expanded to outside Africa. It is requested that the Bush Meat determine how hunting affects primate species around the world. The committee requested that the website be updated and include online donations and mass mailings for conservation money. Conservation projects funded by ASP in the past should be linked to our website.

**Education Committee Report** – The committee who were present were: Sue Howell (Chair), Cory Ross, Sarah Martinez, Jennifer Burns, Matt Hoffman, Matt Novak, Susan Lambeth, Kimran Miller, Vicki Bentley-Condit, Amy Levine, Leanne Nash, Tara Stonski, Nancy Klepper-Kilgore, Karen Hambright, Melanie Schwandt. Thirty-nine students submitted oral and poster

presentations for consideration. At the time of the report the judging was ongoing. No teacher workshop occurred this year since public schools were still in session in Madison and the Milwaukee Zoo was too far for commuting. It was proposed for next year to teach a field course next year for the ASP meetings. The website for education needs to be updated for the "how to do a poster". The committee will be working on this. The softball game was rained out this year.

**Program Committee Report** – Marilyn Norconk (Chair) presented a summary of the abstract submissions for the 2004 meetings in Madison. There were 174 abstracts accepted for the meetings and two rejections. Of these, 103 were oral presentations and 71 were posters. There were 4 symposium at the meeting: Management of Behavioral Issues in Captive Primates; New Perspectives in Mesoamerican Primatology, Behavior and Ecology; Advances in Field-based Studies of Primate Behavioral Endocrinology; Research in Neotropical Primates, a Roundtable on Understanding and Managing Self-injurious Behavior in nonhuman Primates and a workshop: Primate Aging Database. It was discussed why there were not as many abstracts as there were last for the 2003 meetings when the attendance rate was higher for this meeting. The early deadline for the abstract submission was most likely the reason. Marilyn stated that the online submission of abstracts was excellent and Wiley-Liss published the abstract booklet in a timely fashion this year.

**Awards and Recognition Report** – Gabe Lubach reported that Jim Sackett would receive the Distinguished Primatologists Award at the banquet. Jackie Pritchard would receive the Distinguished Service Award and it was discussed whether Stephen Nash should receive a special recognition award. As Historian for the Society, Gabe discussed the storage of ASP materials. The Wisconsin Primate Library has an archival room where the material can be stored. However, it was discussed whether the room would have controlled access since it is University space. Gabe will contact the University's Lawyers.

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The meeting closed with recognizing Suzette Tardif as the President Elect. Jeff asked the Executive Committee to give Steve Schapiro the same kind of dedication that he has received. He also thanked John Capitanio for all his work. John will be stepping down as Past President. The meeting was adjourned at 1:14.

### Minutes from the ASP Board of Directors' Meeting – 2004

President Jeff French at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists, Madison, Wisconsin, called the Board of Directors (BOD) meeting to order at 5:08 p.m. on June 6, 2004. Attending: Jeff French, John Capitanio, Steve Schapiro, Suzette Tardif, Toni Ziegler and Evan Zucker. Jeff called for the approval of previous minutes from the last Board of Directors' meeting in Calgary, Canada, 2003 as reported in the ASP Bulletin (Volume 27, No. 3, September 2003). The motion was approved by Steve Schapiro and seconded by John Capitanio. The following recommendations were made.

**Recommendation:** The Research & Development Committee recommended that the BOD fund more grants than normal this year due to the high quality of the grants. **Action:** Due to the unique set of financial circumstances and exceptionally high quality of the grants this year BOD approved funding to \$21,426 for a total of 15 grants. These grants are listed on page 4 of the bulletin.

**Recommendation:** Few recipients of the Research & Development Awards have written reports summarizing their work from money received from ASP for the Bulletin. It was recommended that a committee be formed to encourage recipients to provide a report of their work by sending a letter indicating that a report of their work was required for submission to the bulletin. **Action:** The recommendation was approved.

**Recommendation:** The criteria for grant submission should be updated. Only members should be allowed to apply for grants from the Research & Development Committee. **Action:** The motion was denied. Instead it was decided that ASP members would have a higher preference on the scoring

system. For grants that are tied, ASP members would be weighted slightly higher.

**Recommendation:** Fund a special grant received through the Research & Development Committee for Wildlife Pathology Conservation by Roger Brumbeck. **Action:** The motion will be tabled until the pathology group can be evaluated.

**Recommendation:** The Conservation Committee recommended the funding of three ASP subscription awards.

**Action:** Accepted. These awards are announced on page 4 of the Bulletin.

**Recommendation:** The Conservation Committee recommended funding 9 awards totally \$11,988. **Action:** Accepted.

**Recommendation:** Award Mr. William Olupot from Uganda the Conservation Award for 2004 (\$750). **Action:** Accepted.

**Recommendation:** The Conservation Committee and Research and Development Committee recommended an earlier deadline for grant applications. **Action:** Accepted.

**Recommendation:** The development and production of conservation playing cards by the Conservation Committee.

**Action:** Table the discussion until costs and marketing can be determined.

**Recommendation:** Setting the time of year for the ASP meetings. **Action:** Declined.

**Recommendation:** Jim Sackett to receive the Distinguished Primatologists Award. **Action:** Accepted

**Recommendation:** Jackie Prichard receive the Distinguished Service Award. **Action:** Accepted

**Recommendation:** Jeff French selected Stephen Nash for the President's Award. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08.

## MINUTES FROM THE ASP BUSINESS MEETING – 2004

The business meeting was called to order at 4:50 on June 11, 2004 by President Jeff French at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists in Madison, Wisconsin. Jeff welcomed everyone to the business meeting. Jeff recognized Joe Kemnitz

and his local arrangement committee for the superb job of hosting the meetings. He thanked Marilyn Norconk for the program during the meetings – especially for the keynote speakers. Jeff gave the **President's Report:** Jeff thanked Linda Fedigan for her new position as **Editor of American Journal of Primatology Report:** Linda Fedigan took over the Journal from Melinda Novak and Randy Keyes in January. Jeff requested that Society members submit their best papers to AJP. More submissions are needed. The Society negotiated a new contract with Wiley-Liss and a reduction in subscription rates occurred: 40% for full members and 50% for student members. The \$5,000 publishing tax has been eliminated. A \$1500 grant from Wiley-Liss has been granted to support junior members. Wiley-Liss would like to receive any complaints from members. The cover has been redesigned to allow for photographs of monkeys from authors.

The future sites of ASP meetings were presented: 2005 in Portland, Oregon; 2006 in San Antonio; 2007 in southern Florida or southern California. ASP is bidding for the IPS/ASP 2012 meeting in Washington D.C.

The minority initiative has not proceeded yet. Jeff asked the Society for ideas to address this issue. Stephen Nash was called to the stage and presented with the President's Award for his unique and exceptional contribution to primatology. His work in the field of primatology has contributed to morphology work, excellence in primates as art and provided a springboard for conservation initiatives for habitat protection and taxonomic production. Stephen Nash was applauded. He then thanked the Society.

**Treasurer's Report:** Evan Zucker presented the report indicating that membership increased this year and we are 7.7% ahead of last year at this time. The General Fund has a total of \$137,000, Conservation Fund has a total of \$97,000, and the Watts Fund has a total of \$7,000 bringing the Society to a grand total of \$241,000. The Conservation Fund broke even this year and a profit was made from the Calgary meetings (\$5,800). The Book Series has made money on earlier issues but

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Evan asked the Society to help promote the newer issues at their local libraries and Universities.

**AJP Report:** Linda Fedigan reported on the journal. It was an eventful year. Melinda Novak and Randy Keyes served as Interim Editors and kept the journal running smoothly. Their efforts made the transition go smoothly and Linda began as Editor in January. The Journal now has a smaller Editorial Board consisting of: Dorothy Fragaszy, University of Georgia; Paul Garber, University of Illinois; Michael Huffman, Kyoto University; Lynne Isbell, University of California at Davis; Richard Kay, Duke Medical Center; Jeffrey Rogers, Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research Genetics; Suzette Tardif, Southwest National Primate Research Center; Raymond Hamel, Wisconsin National Primate Research Center. These editors have been extremely helpful and have encouraged fair and rapid reviews. Since Linda took office the journal has had 49 new submissions at around 10/month. The average turnaround has been 58 days. 25% have been accepted, 25% have been rejected and 25% have been encouraged to revise and resubmit. The entire process has been streamlined and is 100% electronic. The media reviews section will provide reviews of books and other interesting media on primatology. Special topics issues are being planned with one already underway. AJP is currently indexed dating back to 1997. Wiley-Liss will be digitizing abstracts from older AJP issues to be added to Medicus Index. Linda again called for Society members to submit their best papers to AJP. Leanne Nash asked if all papers were peer reviewed. Linda confirmed that they were.

**Conservation Report:** Janette Wallis reported that 46 grants were received for awards. Nine were selected; three from each: Asia, Neotropical and Africa. The winners and titles are listed on page 4 of the Bulletin. The Conservation Award will be presented at the banquet. The Bush Meat Task Force will be encouraged to focus not only on Africa but also on all primate habitat areas. The Conservation website for ASP will be updated to spotlight previous grants awarded. Janette

thanked the Society for bidding at the Silent Auction. It had received \$4,159 in sales at that time. She will be soliciting more money at the banquet.

**Education Report:** Sue Howell reported that they had received 37 student submissions for the student prizes. She encouraged more students to participate next year. The winners will be announced at the banquet and on page 1 of the bulletin. Next year the Education Committee will initiate a workshop on how to teach a field course. Sue reported that the annual softball game was rained out this year but will proceed in Portland next year. She thanked all those involved in rating the student poster and oral presentations.

**Research & Development Report:** Dee Higley reported that his committee received 60 grants and this year there were some for laboratory research. He asked the Society to encourage more students to submit for next year for lab research. Ideally, the grants should be a 50:50 split from lab and field. Dee thanked Nancy Capitanio for modifying the web page to allow for online submissions and reviews. The grant winners were listed and can be found on page 5 of the journal.

**ASP Historian Report:** Gabe Lubach reported progress on storing the Societies' historical documents. There may be an ASP website on the history of ASP. Gabe pleaded with the committee chairs to submit their reports and other information to her for preservation.

**New Business:** Jeff French reported that Kristine Colman will be heading the local host for 2005 ASP in Portland. An announcement has been included in this bulletin on page 9.

Jeff French turned over the honorary "reins" to Steve Schapiro our new ASP President. Steve thanked the Society for his opportunity to lead ASP. He thanked Steve Bruchini for supplementing the Conservation fund by \$5,000 to allow us to fund more grants. Steve said that being a primatologist was "a cool thing to be" – something we can all be proud of. He said he would continue to work on raising funds for primate conservation and to please let him know your ideas. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50.



**AAZV 11th ANNUAL ZOO & WILDLIFE PATHOLOGY August 29, 2004,** San Diego Hotel and Marina, San Diego, CA. Co-Sponsored by the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology & CL Davis, D.V.M. Foundation, Registration: \$50, Contact: Dr. Wilbur Amand, Email: [wbamand@aol.com](mailto:wbamand@aol.com)

**ASSOCIATION OF PRIMATE VETERINARIANS 31ST ANNUAL WORKSHOP, October 10, 2004 - October 12, 2006,** Tacoma Sheraton, Tacoma, WA, Registration: Reg. Form can be found here: <http://www.primatavets.org/registration.pdf> Registration Deadline September 19, 2004, Contact: Thomas E. Nolan DVM, Association of Primate Veterinarians, 624 Store Road, Harleysville, PA, Tel: (610) 941-0132, Fax: (610) 941-0134, Email: [nolantho@comcast.net](mailto:nolantho@comcast.net)

**NIDA MINI-CONVENTION: FRONTIERS IN ADDICTION RESEARCH, OCTOBER 22, 2004,** San Diego, CA. To celebrate the 30th anniversary of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, outstanding scientists will present recent findings and discuss future directions in the neurobiology of drug abuse and addiction. Sessions Include:  
Introduction: N. Volkow, MD  
Behavior Neuroscience of Nicotine Addiction, Creative Directions in Animal Imaging, Poster Session, Mechanisms of Brain Resiliency & Repair, Glutamate and Addiction  
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### EUROPEAN MARMOSET RE-SEARCH GROUP Research 8th WORKSHOP, August 20, 2004 - August 25, 2004, Swiss Federal

Institute of Technology and University of Zurich, Switzerland, **Focus:** Macaques and Marmosets in Biological and Biomedical Research. **Registration:** Details can be found at: <http://www.emrg.org> **Contact:** Christopher Pryce, Behavioural Neurobiology Laboratory, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology-Zurich, CH-8603 Schwerzenbach, Switzerland, Tel: +41 (0)1 655 7386, Fax: +41 (0)1 655 7203, Email: [pryce@behav.biol.ethz.ch](mailto:pryce@behav.biol.ethz.ch) **Web site:** <http://www.behav.ethz.ch>

### IXth FELASA (FEDERATION of EUROPEAN LABORATORY ANIMAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATIONS) SYMPOSIUM, July 14, 2004 - July 17, 2004, Nantes, France

Nantes is a richly historical, yet modern and dynamic, city situated in the Department of "Loire Atlantique" on the French Atlantic coast. The main topic of this Symposium is "Internationalization and Harmonization of Laboratory Animal Care and Use Issues". **Contact:** Committee Representative, 624 rue des Grezes, Montpellier, France, Tel: +33(0) 4 67 03 03 00, Fax: +33(0)4 67 45 57 97, Email: [felasa2004@afstal.com](mailto:felasa2004@afstal.com) **Web site:** <http://www.afstal.com>

**XXth CONGRESS of the IPS, August 23, 2004 - August 28, 2004, University of Torino, Italy, International Primatological Society Sponsor: University of Torino. Focus:** This conference will offer an excellent opportunity for a general view of the field. All major topics of primatology will be discussed, with an emphasis on their interactions with other specialized branches of modern biology. Special attention will be paid also to the implementation of recent discoveries on primate welfare and conservation. **Contact:** Cristina Giacomini, Tel: +39 011 6704761, Fax: +39 011 6704732, Email: [ips2004@unito.it](mailto:ips2004@unito.it) **Web site:** <http://www.ips2004.unito.it>

### II SIMPOSIO DE PRIMATES: UN ENFOQUE MULTIDISCIPLINARIO, October 26, 2004 - October 29, 2004

Economic and Social Sciences of the Central University of Venezuela. **Contacts:** Physic Antropologist: Braulio Hernandez [macrhesus@hotmail.com](mailto:macrhesus@hotmail.com) Biol: Elisa Horta garota\_57@hotmail.com. The preliminary themes of the congress includes: Anatomy and Human Morphology, Prehispanic Osteology, Forensic Anthropology and human rights, Populations Genetic, Physical Anthropology and Health, Anthropology and Sport, Pale anthropology and human Ecology, Biodemography, Epistemological problematic of the Physical Anthropology, Professional Formation of the Physical Anthropologists, Bioethics. Registration: Varies \$35 - \$125. Abstract: Deadline May 31, 2004. **Contact:** See Focus Above, Central University of Venezuela, Venezuela **Web site:** [http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/venezuela\\_congress.doc](http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/venezuela_congress.doc)

### 22ND ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON NONHUMAN PRIMATE MODELS FOR AIDS, November 3-6, 2004,

Westin Riverwalk, San Antonio, Texas **Sponsor:** Southwest National Primate Research Center at the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research, San Antonio, Texas. This meeting is the premier forum for the presentation and exchange of the most recent scientific advances in AIDS research utilizing the nonhuman primate model. The latest findings in pathogenesis, primate immunology and genomics, virology, vaccines and therapeutics will be presented. It is anticipated that more than 300 scientists from the United States and other countries will attend. The symposium will encompass 5 half-day scientific sessions and a poster session. The sessions will be: Virology, Pathogenesis, Immunology, Vaccines, and Therapeutics/Primate Genomics. Each session will have an invited Chair, who will give a 25-minute state-of-the-art presentation to open the first half of

the session, a co-Chair, who will moderate the session and entertain questions, and an invited speaker, who will also provide a 25-minute talk to open the second half of the session. In addition, there will be an invited keynote opening speaker and a banquet speaker, who will address scientific approaches and concerns regarding the global AIDS crisis and related issues of public health. **Contact:** Barbara Gault — [bgault@sfbr.org](mailto:bgault@sfbr.org), phone: 210-258-9780, fax 210-258-9883 **Web site:** <http://www.snprc.org/NHPAIDS2004/>

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### CONSERVATION WORK - Sumatran Orangutan Society

**Position Description:** To support and assist UK branch coordinator with the running of a small charity. One or 2 days a week (to begin with) could be from home/ office **Tasks could include:** General administration, Promoting the charity, Accounting, Membership and orangutan sponsorship packages, Responding to day-to-day enquiries. Organize school and fundraising events. **Skills required:** Ability to multi-task, work independently often unsupervised and at times able to work well with others. To show initiative, managerial communication and good social skills. An understanding of the Indonesian language would be a distinct advantage. Knowledge of basic computer skills (Word, Excel, internet). **Salary:** £4.65 per hour. **Application Deadline:** None, **Comments:** It would be most helpful if the right applicant would be willing to help with some fundraising in their spare time. **Contact Information:** Miss Jan Howard, Sumatran Orangutan Society, 2 Park Cottages,, Bungay Road,, Bixley, Norwich, England NR14 8RY Telephone number: 01508 495239 E-mail address: [info@orangutans-sos.org](mailto:info@orangutans-sos.org)

### FIELD POSITION: PROJECT MANAGER - Semliki Chimpanzee

**Project - Indiana University** **Position Description:** Research manager and staff supervisor for continuing

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chimpanzee research and habituation initiative in western Uganda. Site manager responsible for daily collection of project data, including ranging, diet, and nesting behavior, as well as daily climatology data. Supervise staff of two trail maintenance workers, one camp cook and two park rangers. Qualifications: Primate field school or other field experience strongly preferred. University classes in primate behavior, primate ecology, and basic biology required; minimum 3.5 GPA. Familiarity with chimpanzee research assumed. Meals and lodging at site provided. Airfare and other travel expenses reimbursed on successful completion of six month contract. Small stipend contingent on successful grant application possible but not guaranteed. Support provided for internship/volunteer positions (travel, meals, lodging): Meals and lodging provided. Travel reimbursed if term completed. Term of Appointment: July 15, 2004-January 15, 2005 Application Deadline: June 20, 2004 Contact Information: Kevin D. Hunt, Department of Anthropology, Student Building 130, 701 E. Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington, IN USA 47405-7100 Fax number: 812 855 4358 E-mail address: [kdhunt@indiana.edu](mailto:kdhunt@indiana.edu)

**FIELD POSITION** - Veterinarian, Hiring Organization: John Aspinall Foundation, Street Address: Port Lympne, Aldington Road, Hythe Kent CT21 4 PD, UK. Position Description: 'Projet Protection des Gorilles' a re-introduction project for western lowland gorillas based in Gabon and Congo is looking for a field veterinarian. The successful candidate will be based at the project's HQ in the Bateke Plateau National Park in south east Gabon. Duties include: Responsibilities include routine and emergency health care of the reintroduced gorillas and confiscated orphans. Data collection and writing of reports on the health, behaviour, and diet of gorillas. Management of gorilla monitors. Providing technical assistance to monitors. Assist with camp management for staff on vacation or sick leave. Qualifications: A

vetterinary degree from an accredited university, license to practice, and experience with nonhuman primates, zoo animals, or exotic species are required. Minimum conversational French and English language skills. African work experience. Ability to work well in a team. Two year contract. Salary/funding: Please send cover letter with salary requirement, resume, references and any other supporting documentations. Support provided for internship/volunteer positions (travel, meals, lodging): travel, food allowance, medical insurance, lodging. Term of Appointment: immediate, Comments: work involves long periods in isolated camp. Contact Information: Amos Courage, John Aspinall Foundation Port Lympne, Aldington Road, Hythe, Kent CT21 4PD, UK. Fax number: +44 (0)1303 264 944 E-mail address: [acourage@btinternet.com](mailto:acourage@btinternet.com)

**ANIMAL CARE/LABORATORY TECH POSITION** - Staff Research Associate, Hiring Organization: University of California, Davis Description: Incumbent will assist the principle investigator in daily operation of a research laboratory at the California National Primate Research Center (CNPRC), including but not limited to, conducting multiple research studies simultaneously, assisting with preparation of animals for experiments, and assisting with computer programming. Incumbent will perform behavioral and cognitive testing on animal subjects, complete data analysis, and assist principal investigator with preparation and submission of research papers. Assist in all daily operations of the research laboratory. Participate in several research projects simultaneously. Prepare subjects for experiments. Perform behavioral and cognitive testing in accordance with Animal Care and Use approved research protocols. Assist behavioral research team in data collection for several adult and infant social behavior projects. Train interns and volunteers to carry out experimental procedures, collect data and perform data analysis with animal subjects. Maintain records of all animal

testing procedures. Conduct data analysis with emphasis on Statview and SPSS. Edit experimental stimuli for research use and stimulus presentation to animal subjects. Edit, improve and troubleshoot test paradigms. Aid in the care and supervision of all animals on the research protocol(s). Maintain laboratory apparatus and use in accordance with manufacturers recommendations. Assist with computer programming if necessary. Assist in writing protocols and procedural amendments for review by the lab team, CNPRC and the Animal Care and Use Committee for ethical treatment of lab animals. Assist with paper and poster presentations. Qualifications: Demonstrated organizational skills to conduct a variety of complex research projects simultaneously. A Bachelors degree in Psychology, Anthropology, Biology, Animal. Science or related area, and previous experience working in a laboratory setting with animals, preferably with non-human primates Knowledge of behavioral assessment and testing using non-human primate Subjects. Demonstrated writing skills and knowledge of scientific publications. Demonstrated knowledge of research methodology as it pertains to non-human primates. Demonstrated ability to operate and maintain laboratory apparatus. Demonstrated ability to work effectively and efficiently with multiple people. Demonstrated ability to work with computers including some background in computer programming. Knowledge of statistical analyses and database software, specifically SPSS and Statview. Knowledge and understanding of animal protocols. Proficiency in Microsoft and Macintosh computer platforms  
<http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/hr/Jobs/Postings/10069-O.htm>  
Application Deadline: Interviews to be held after 4/30/04, Contact Information: Jessica Toscano, California National Primate Research Center, UC Davis County Road 98 and Hutchison Road, Davis, CA USA Telephone number: 530-752-1506 E-mail address: [jetoscano@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jetoscano@ucdavis.edu)

# ANOTHER FINE ASP MEETING: THANK YOU FOR COMING!



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